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18 March 1985MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Intelligence Law Division
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FROM:

Legislation Division
Office of Legislative Liaison

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SUBJECT: Telecommunication Matters

1. This memo is to inform you of a variety of bills and proposed letters dealing with issues involving telecommunication. I would appreciate receiving your comments on this material.

2. We have been requested by Representative William Ford, Chairman of the Post Office and Civil Service Committee, to comment on H.R. 502, the "Federal Telecommunication Privacy Act of 1985." Since we provided Representative Ford with our views on identical legislation introduced last year, I recommend that we simply provide Representative Ford a copy of the letter we provided last year. A similar situation arose when Representative Brooks requested our views earlier this year and we responded by reminding him that we had already provided our views to him. Attached at Tab A is the letter requesting our views and our proposed response to Representative Ford.

3. Dan Finn, Minority Counsel to the SSCI, has requested our views on legislation that Senator Metzenbaum will introduce shortly. This legislation is similar to the "Wick Bills" he introduced last year. Attached at Tab B is a copy of Mr. Finn's letter requesting our views and a copy of the proposed Metzenbaum bill. Please review the legislation and provide me your comments by COB 20 March.

4. OMB has requested that we provide our views by 1 April on a DoJ letter to Representative Brooks commenting on H.R. 502. Attached at Tab C is a copy of that letter. It is similar to the DoJ letter we were requested to comment on last May. Our records indicate that we did not object to the letter last year. Please provide me your comments by 27 March.

5. Representative Markey has introduced legislation that would promote fair competition in the international telecommunication market. Attached at Tab D is a copy of the bill. Your comments on this bill would be appreciated.

6. Finally, DoJ has included in their draft bill of technical corrections to the Omnibus Crime Control Act of 1984 our proposed amendatory language to the Computer Fraud Act. Attached at Tab E for your information is that language.

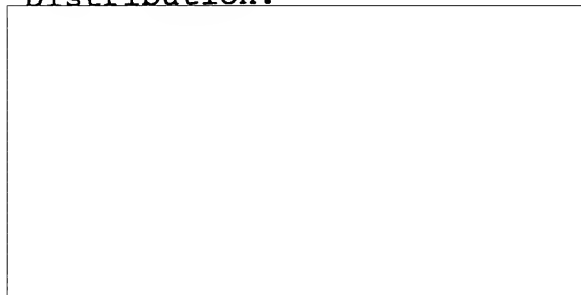


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